# U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION REPORT

# I. HEADING

Date:

January 26, 1998

Subject:

Bossert Manufacturing Site

Utical Opeida County, New York

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**START** 

# POLREP NO. 14

# II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:

**S7** 

Delivery Order No.:

2101-02-010

Response Authority:

CERCLA

ERNS No.:

N/A

**CERCLIS No.:** 

NYD002249563

NPL Status:

Non-NPL

Action Memo Status:

Approved on 9/26/97

Start Date:

9/30/97

Demobilization Date:

N/A

Completion Date:

N/A

### III. SITE INFORMATION

# A. Incident Category

CERCLA incident category: Inactive Production Facility

# B. <u>Site Description</u>

The Bossert Manufacturing Site (site) is an abandoned production facility located at 1002 Oswego Street in the City of Utica, Oneida County, New York. The Bossert facility was used for the stamping, weldment, and fabrication of sheet metal items such as brake backing plates and steel floor grates from 1896 until the mid-1980's. During its operation, PCB oils were utilized in transformers and in hydraulic presses used in the manufacturing process. As a result of past manufacturing practices and salvage operations at the site, interior surfaces on floors and walls of the facility, as well as machinery and other structures within the building, became contaminated with PCBs.

CERCLA funds have been activated to abate the threat to public safety and the environment. Activity will include the off-site disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of PCB contaminated debris, asbestos abatement, decontamination of mechanical and hydraulic presses, and the partial demolition/shoring of a building.

For a more detailed description, see Polrep No. 1 (Initial).

# IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

#### A. Situation

# 1. Removal Actions to Date

1/19/98 - 1/23/98: On January 22, four roll-off boxes of PCB contaminated debris totalling 105 cubic yards were transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, 41 roll-off boxes of with a combined volume of 1,070 cubic yards have been shipped off the site.

ERRS continued to place scrap metal into roll-off dumpsters for salvaging. During this work week, one roll-off dumpster of scrap metal was shipped off site for salvaging to recover funds which will be readministered into the ERRS project ceiling.

On January 23, USA Remediation Services (asbestos abatement subcontractor) and TES Environmental Corporation of Albany (asbestos air monitoring subcontractor) were on site to drop off supplies for upcoming asbestos abatement activity.

# 2. Enforcement

The PRP Search for the site has been initiated and enforcement efforts are continuing.

# B. Planned Removal Actions

ERRS will continue transportation and disposal of PCB contaminated debris, kiln dust, and carbon powder during the week of January 26. Asbestos abatement activity will commence on January 26, 1998. Abatement will begin in Area 19.

# C. Key Issues

N/A

# V. COST INFORMATION AS OF JANUARY 26, 1998 \*

ERRS Contractor	\$ 2,297,893
START Contractor Costs	149,918
Intramural Costs	<u>238,198</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,686,009
Project Ceiling	\$ 5,990,000
Percent of Project Funds Remaining	55.2%

\* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

# VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

Wastestream	Medium	Quantity	Containment- Migration Control	Treatment	Disposal
PCB (UN3077)	Contaminated debris	1070 cu. yds.	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY
PCB (UN2315)	Kiln dust & spent carbon	~ 330 tons	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY

# VII. SALVAGEABLE MATERIAL

Material Quantity Funds Recovered					
Scrap Metal	104.36 tons	\$ 6,506.40			

<sup>\*</sup> This table will be updated as recovered funds are received from Universal Empire Salvaging Company.